

ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a method and a device for controlling the glass gob mass in the production of hollow glass containers, wherein at least one plunger (2,2') is disposed in a feeder head (3) and a changeable plunger movement profile is provided for the purpose of influencing the discharge of molten glass from the feeder head. For the simultaneous production of an assortment of hollow glass containers of a different weight, an IS glass forming machine which is used comprises for each section a changeable movement profile per plunger. A mass reference value difference is determined from a mass reference desired value and a mass reference actual value on the basis of at least one of consecutive gobs for each preform station. In dependence upon the mass reference value difference, the associated plunger movement profile for each preform station is changed in such a manner that by repeating the determination of the mass reference value difference and by changing the movement profile, the mass reference actual value is approximated stepwise to the mass reference desired value. In accordance with the invention, it is possible in a convenient manner to control the glass gob mass during the production of the assortment.